

WED APR 27 1988

Woman's body found at Lake Merritt

The nude body of a woman was found yesterday afternoon on the shore of Lake Merritt, and Oakland police believe she was slain.

Police Officer Ned Ubben was called to the scene at 4:15 p.m. by two people who found the body.

According to Police Homicide Sgt. Jerry Harris, the unidentified woman's body lay by the

lake near the 650 block of Bellevue Avenue. She was described as a black woman, from 20 to 30 years old, 5 feet tall and 125 pounds. Her hair was in corn row braids. There was no identification to be found.

Signs of trauma to the body indicate she was slain, but an autopsy will be made to determine how she died.

THU APR 28 1988

Gunshot killed woman found by lake

Murder

A woman whose nude body was found Tuesday afternoon on the Lake Merritt shoreline was shot to death, Oakland police said yesterday.

Police believe the woman was a 32-year-old Nigerian who lived in East Oakland.

But because her identity has not yet been confirmed through fingerprints or dental records her name is not being released.

The body was discovered about 4:15 p.m. Tuesday in some brush near the shoreline of the

lake in the 600 block of Bellevue Avenue.

Sgt. Jerry Harris said if the victim is who police think she is, she was last seen alive Monday morning by friends when she left her home to run an errand.

Some clothing was found near the body but Harris said police do not believe it belonged to the woman.

He said police are unsure of a motive for the slaying and there have been no arrests.

FRI APR 29 1988

Shooting victim was from Nigeria

murder
A woman found shot to death Tuesday on the shore of Oakland's Lake Merritt was identified by police yesterday as Victoria Sade Adebayo.

Adebayo, a 32-year-old Nigerian, lived with friends near Highland General Hospital in East Oakland. She was last seen alive by her friends Monday morning when they dropped her off at a North Oakland bus stop to go to the Department of Motor Vehicles office on Claremont

Avenue.

Sgt. Jerry Harris said yesterday he is still trying to confirm if Adebayo ever made it to the DMV office. Her nude body was found about 4:15 p.m. Tuesday near the shoreline of the lake in the 600 block of Bellevue Avenue.

Harris said he did not know how long Adebayo had been in the United States. He said she had been working as a domestic until about three weeks ago.